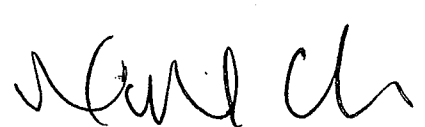


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Notice of Appointment

Name: Karen Yoshitomi		<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: Seattle	Zip Code: 98118	Contact Phone No.: 206-623-5088
Appointed to: Member		Date of Appointment: 8/12/09
Authority (Ord., Res.): SMC 3.110		Term of Office From: 8/12/09 To: 12/31/12
Background: <p>Karen Yoshitomi is the regional director for the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), a national nonprofit organization whose mission is to secure and protect the civil rights of Japanese Americans and all others against discrimination and injustice. The JACL also works to preserve and promote the culture and history of the Japanese American community. Since its inception in 1929, the organization has maintained a presence in the Seattle Chinatown International District. Ms. Yoshitomi has been with the JACL since 1990, and as the key spokesperson for the organization within the Pacific Northwest region, she is responsible for administration and implementation of national programs, assisting the local chapters, and providing outreach and support within the broader community. Ms. Yoshitomi has also been involved with the development of the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Washington since 2004 and is currently serving as the chair of its Community Advisory Council.</p>		
Authorizing Signature: 		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments: Michael Wu, Chair



Karen L. Yoshitomi

Professional Experience

1990 to Present **Japanese American Citizens League (JACL)**
Pacific Northwest Regional Director

The JACL is a national organization whose ongoing mission is to secure and maintain the civil rights of Japanese Americans and all others who are victimized by injustice and discrimination. The leaders and members of the JACL also work to promote cultural, educational and social values and to preserve the heritage and legacy of the Japanese American community. The director serves as the key spokesperson within the region and is responsible for the development and implementation of national and local programs. The director is also responsible for providing support to the chapters and its members and working with other community based organizations to address policy initiatives relative to civil and human rights.

1987 to 1990 **Center for Career Alternatives**
Recruitment Counselor, Instructor

Responsible for the identification, recruitment and eligibility determination of economically disadvantaged youth and adults for a federally funded, pre-employment, job placement program. Work assignment also included serving as an instructor for pre-employment workshops throughout King County for program participants.

Education **University of Washington**
Earned Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology, 1986
Extensive coursework in Social Psychology, Sociology and Asian American Studies.

Community Involvement

2007 – Present Tacoma Buddhist Temple, Board Member

2003 – 2008 Nikkei Heritage Association of Washington, Board Member

Sept. 2007 – Feb. 2008 Port of Seattle, Expert Panel on Police Email Investigation, Member

2002 – 2006 National Park Service, Minidoka Internment National Monument, General Development and Management Plan, Team Member

Aug. 2002 – Aug. 2003 Seattle City Council, Citizen Advisory Panel on Council Elections, Member

1990 – Present Asian Pacific Islander Coalition of King County – Member
Minority Executive Directors Coalition - Member

Chinatown-International District Preservation And Development Authority (SCIDpda) Council, Seattle

September 2011

Management of all Authority affairs shall reside in the Council. The Council shall be composed of no fewer than twelve (12) members and no more that seventeen (17) members selected as follows:

- 4 (one each year) Appointed by Mayor
- 4 (one each year) Appointed by SCIDpda Council*
- 4 (one each year) Appointed by Constituency

D*	G	Name	Appointed	Term Ends	Term #	Position	Appointed By
1	M	Namura, David	8/4/09	12/31/11	1	Secretary	Constituency
1	F	Murray, Josephine Tamayo	10/14/09	12/31/13	2	Member	Constituency
1	F	Yoshitomi, Karen	8/12/09	12/31/12	1	Member	Constituency
1	F	Shi, Jiawen	10/30/08	12/31/10	1	Member	Constituency
1	M	Wu, Michael	1/14/09	12/31/12	2	Chair	Council
1	M	Chang M.D., David	10/13/10	12/31/14	1	Treasurer	Council
1	F	Phang, Jennifer	5/12/10	12/31/14	1	Member	Council
1	M	Shen, Albert K.	5/7/08	12/31/11	1	Past Chair	Council
1	M	Omura, Mike	10/14/09	12/31/13	2	Vice Chair	Council
1	F	Brogan, Rita	10/13/10	12/31/14	1	Member	Council
		Vacant	-	12/31/12	-	-	Mayor
1	M	Yasui, Scott	1/8/10	12/31/13	1	Member	Mayor
-	-	Vacant	-	12/31/14	-	-	Mayor
6	M	Williams, Mark	05/08/08	12/31/11	2	Members	Mayor

***Diversity**

					(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	Asian-American	African-American	Hispanic Latin@	Native-American	Other**	Caucasian
Mayor	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
SCIDpda Council	4	2	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Constituency	1	3	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Total	7	5	2	0	11	0	0	0	0	1

****Other includes diversity in any of the following: race, gender and/or ability**

